

FARM BILL/BONUS/STIMULUS PURCHASES

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2002 FARM BILL

- SEC. 10603. PURCHASE OF SPECIALTY CROPS
 - GENERAL PURCHASE AUTHORITY Of the funds made available under Section 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c) for fiscal year 2002 and each subsequent fiscal year, the Secretary of Agriculture shall use not less than \$200,000,000 each fiscal year to purchase fruits, vegetables, and other





2008 Farm Bill

- SEC. 4404. SECTION 32 FUNDS FOR PURCHASE OF FRUITS, VEGETABLES, AND NUTS TO SUPPORT DOMESTIC NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS
 - FUNDING FOR ADDITIONAL PURCHASES OF FRUITS, VEGETABLES, AND NUTS – In addition to the purchases of fruits, vegetables, and nuts required by section 10603 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 612c-4), the Secretary of Agriculture shall purchase fruits, vegetables, and nuts for the purpose of providing nutritious foods for use in domestic nutrition assistance programs, using, of the funds made available under section 32 of the Act of August 24, 1935 (7 U.S.C. 612c), the following amounts:





2008 Farm Bill

- \$190,000,000 for fiscal year 2008
- -\$193,000,000 for fiscal year 2009
- -\$199,000,000 for fiscal year 2010
- \$203,000,000 for fiscal year 2011
- \$206,000,000 for fiscal year 2012 and each fiscal year thereafter.





Farm Bill Formula

Entitlement Section 32 Purchases +

Bonus Section 32 Purchases +

Additional Purchases (if necessary) >=





Farm Bill - Fiscal Year 2008

- Farm Bill was signed in July
- Few bonus purchases
- Made additional purchases of \$180.8 million to meet the requirement of \$390 million





Farm Bill - Fiscal Year 2009

- Anticipated low bonus amounts
- Made some additional purchases early in the fiscal year
- Economy began to affect agriculture
- Bonus requests and approvals resulted in no additional purchases necessary



Farm Bill - Fiscal Year 2010

Bonus requests and approvals may continue

Few additional purchases early in the fiscal year

 We'll determine if additional purchases will be made about this time next year



Bonus Purchases

Bonus purchases over the past few years

- 2005: \$141.5 million

- 2006: \$63.7 million

- 2007: \$57.8 million

- 2008: \$35.1 million





Bonus Purchases

- FY 2009 Approved Bonus
 - Orange Juice: \$30 million
 - Walnuts: \$29.7 million
 - Great Northern Beans: \$25 million
 - Processed Apple Products: \$16.3 million





Bonus Requests

- Asparagus
- Fresh Tomatoes
- Freestone Peaches
- Peanuts
- Fresh Apples
- Blueberries
- Concord Grape Juice
- Cherries
- Fresh Pears





Bonus Issue

2008 Farm Bill placed a cap on Section 32 funds

2009 Omnibus decreased the cap further

Unprecedented bonus requests received





Bonus Issue

Result

- Entitlement purchases will be made
- Few Farm Bill purchases will be made
- Approved bonus purchases will be made
- Few additional bonus requests are in the approval process
- Remaining and additional bonus requests will be denied due to lack of funding





Stimulus Purchases

 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 provided funding to purchase additional products for distribution to TEFAP

 Made purchases of applesauce, mixed fruit, and peaches





Stimulus Purchases

- \$11.8 million spent on these products
- Notice to the Trade identified special reporting requirements for those that receive contracts





Support to Food Banks

- FY 2007 203.9 million pounds of fruits and vegetables valued at \$87.6 million
- FY 2008 310.3 million pounds of fruits and vegetables valued at \$168.3 million
- FY 2009 227.7 million pounds of fruit and vegetable products valued at \$131.5 million

